

THIRTY-FIVE GRADS AWAIT ORDINATION

PRESIDENT URGES QUICK ACTION

ASKS LEADERS TO ANSWER INVITATION

FORT WAYNE CHAPTER TO NAME DELEGATES AT APRIL 1 MEETING

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Father Dirksen John Wolf, '11-'15, Indianapolis; Ed Ernst, '10-'14, Fort Wayne; Otto Birkmeier, '06-'09, Delphos, O.; Gordon Hagstrom, '19-'24, Chicago, and National Secretary J. Henry Hipskind, '05-'11, Fort Wayne, have already made known their intentions to attend the meeting which will decide the part Alumni will play in St. Joseph's Golden Jubilee celebration next year.

Delegates from the Delphos Chapter who will attend the meeting with Mr. Birkmeier will be Alfred Halker, '26-'29, of Lima; Raymond Stallkamp, '06-'08, and Richard Mueller, '29-'31, both of Delphos.

Delegates from the Fort Wayne Chapter will be appointed by Mr. Ernst at a meeting, 8 p. m. Monday, April 1, in the Community Center.

Among national officers to receive invitations were the Revs. Theodore Fettig, '09-'16, Monroeville, Ind., and John Bruin, '12-'17, Payne, O., executive board members.

NO GRASS GROWS UNDER THEIR FEET



Courtesy Fort Wayne News-Sentinel

C. BYRON HAYES



Courtesy Our Sunday Visitor

REV. E. J. MUNGOVAN

Two St. Joe Hoosier Alumni Hit High Mark In Chosen Fields

FORT WAYNE, IND.—A 16-inning baseball game that had to be called on account of darkness is a memory that has not faded for C. Byron Hayes, '08-'10, Allen county prosecutor.

The Fort Wayne attorney was second baseman on the St. Joe varsity the afternoon of May 29, 1909, when the collegians played to a 2-2 deadlock against Brook on the latter's home diamond.

According to Mr. Hayes, "Leo McGurren pitched; Lou Nagelsen caught; Joe Nagelsen covered first; George Hasser was at short; Lawrence Minster held down third, and Joe Lill and Harold (Pat) Moran also saw action in that game. The Brook team employed a professional pitcher whose name escapes me."

Much water has rolled down the Iroquois since that May afternoon 31 years ago when the

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HAMMOND, IND.—Vicar General of the Diocese of Fort Wayne is the new title of the Rev. Edward J. Mungovan, '91-'97, pastor of All Saints Church here.

By his office, the Vicar General ranks higher than all other priests in the diocese and even though not formally invested, is entitled to the designation Monsignor.

According to Our Sunday Visitor, "In selecting Father Mungovan, the Bishop not only had in mind his long service in the diocese, his popularity with the priests, and the confidence they impose in him, but believed that the Vicar General should live in the western part of the diocese, because the clergy who live closer to Fort Wayne may receive the same service through the Chancery Office as they could from

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SEMINARIANS LOOK AHEAD TO MAY 18

ST. CHARLES ORDINANDI MARK APRIL 21 BIG DAY ON LIFE'S CALENDAR

Thirty-five Alumni, scattered through six seminaries, are looking forward to ordinations this spring.

Thirty-three of the ordinandi are members of the class of '34. The exceptions are Michael Vichuras, '27-'33, and Lawrence Devine, '29-'32.

No date has been announced for the ordination of William McKune, Joseph Allgeier, William Conces, and Lawrence Mossing, at the American College, Sion, Valais, Switzerland.

Nine Alumni, now at St. Meinrad's Seminary, will all be ordained May 18, even though they represent three dioceses, Dominic Altieri, Alfred Horrigan, Charles Kelty, Julian Pank, William Pank, and Earl Rausch will be elevated to the priesthood in Louisville; Francis Ward and Clarence Pettit, in Owensboro, Ky., and Lawrence Devine, in Toledo.

According to a correspondent at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, Norwood, O., May 18 will also be a red letter day for Stephen Cvaniga, Joseph Jacobs, Dominic Pallone, and Vernon Rosenthal, in Fort Wayne, and Richard Hoshock and Joseph O'Leary, in Toledo.

Ordination Day at St. Charles' Seminary, Carthage, O., has been announced as April 21 for Richard Dirksen, Michael Storm,



Joseph O'Leary



Clement Petit

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Spring Cleaning?

If the housekeeper is spring cleaning, keep an eye on her.

While purging the attic of undesirable trash, she may come across a bundle of Gym Junks and Diamond Dusts, former St. Joe student publications. She may be tempted to throw it away just to make room for that discarded woodcut of Whistler's Mother. But don't let her.

If you are a man you'll dodge a mop, hurdle a scrub bucket, and ignore the danger of breaking your neck on a slippery cake of soap in a dash to rescue the precious bundle.

What should you do with the Gym Junks and Diamond Dusts after you have saved them from the flames? Send them to the Alumni Office. There they will be put on file and used as books of reference. The office is attempting to get a complete collection of all publications issued by the college since its founding. So far, the Gym Junks and Diamond Dusts have been few and far between.

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Alumni Get Larger Office

The Alumni Office has been moved. It is still on the first floor of the Administration Building, but is now situated in the northwest corner room that used to be known as classroom six.

The new office is twice as large as the old one. There is now plenty space for filing cabinets, bookcases and desks.

Brother Cletus is doing a wonderful job completing an alumni record index; starting a file for old cuts and pictures, and collecting former college publications.

Any old-timer who visits the campus shouldn't fail to drop in at the Alumni Office.

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If Wrong—Please Correct

OLD ATHLETIC RECORDS indicate that the first men to receive sweaters bearing a St. Joe monogram were members of the '12-'13 basketball team. They were: Walter Barth, now a doctor in Chicago; Paul Deery, now pastor at Old Cathedral, Vincennes; Joseph Monahan, address lost; Charles McArdle, doctor at Old Soldiers' Home, Lafayette; Harold Moran, Hartford City pastor; George Sindelar, patient at Hines Memorial Hospital, Hines, Ill., and John Schall, pastor at St. Vincent's, Logansport. It seems that monograms were given before this date, but not sweaters. If this statement is incorrect, will old timers please let us know.

Snooty Pigs

St. Joe College porkers will soon have their food delivered in a long, black Pierce Arrow.

A white mule and a horse with a back like a roller-coaster have been bringing the bacon-builder to the local pigs for many, many a moon. But the pigs must have squealed on George Shuster, local swineherdsman, and demanded more up-to-date delivery service.

College authorities bought an antique Pierce Arrow which is to be used for carrying slop from the kitchens to the pig pens in back of the old Indian School. No one knows what will become of the white mule and the horse with a back like a roller-coaster, but one thing is sure—they won't be entered in the Derby.

If any of you old grads come back to the campus and notice the pigs acting snooty, pay no attention to it. Pigs is pigs. They are apt to let a Pierce Arrow go to their heads. Just bear in mind that every pig is a ham; yea, even more—every pig is two hams.

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Advance Ordination Date

Members of the class of '35 and Herman Herbst, '34, who will be ordained deacons, April 21, at St. Charles' Seminary, Carthage, O., will probably have the date of their ordination to the priesthood advanced from next spring to late this summer.

Members of the class are: Richard Baird, August Wolf, William Higgins, Hugh Hasson, Norman Heckman, Edward McCarthy, Ambrose Heiman, Rudolph Bierberg, Harold Roth, George Heinzen, Edward Maziarz, Werner Hemmelgarn, Bernard Mores, Victor Ranley, Leonard Kostka, Gerard Krapf, Norbert Loshe, Henry Martin, John Samis.

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Father, Four Sons Alumni

Here's something from the September 24, 1913 issue of *College Cheer*: "The year 1913, unlucky though it may seem, marks the initiation of a second generation into our ranks in the person of Clarence Dirksen, whose father, Frank Dirksen, became a member of the S. J. C. Alumni in the year 1893. He has the singular honor of being the first student whose father calls St. Joseph's his Alma Mater. St. Joseph's is acquiring a tradition as well as a reputation."

Frank Dirksen has since sent three more sons to St. Joe, Aloys, '14-'20, president of the college; Cletus, '25-'26, also a priest in the Society of the Precious Blood, and Richard, '30-'34, a student at St. Charles' Seminary, Carthage, O., who will be ordained April 21.

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Gene Scher, '34, writes under the letter head of the Asbestos Manufacturing Company, Huntington, Ind., to ask the address of Donald McAtamney. According to the Alumni Office files, the address is 4072 Field Avenue, Detroit, Mich.

TURN BACK THE CLOCK

TOP SOCIAL SPOT on the campus used to be the candy store, in the northeast corner of the faculty building basement. Of course the Raleigh Club was a great hang-out, too; but it was more for the hoi polloi. With an old broken down pipe a fellow could borrow enough tobacco to loaf comfortably in the club for many an hour. But only the aristocrats, the guys with money, could afford to while away time in the candy store. Of course there were always leeches looking for set-ups, but as a whole it was a spending crowd. Candy bars and soft

Rev. Henry Balster

drinks weren't the only attractions. Along with these products was dispensed the wisdom of the ages by such sagacious proprietors as Leo Beck, '12-'17; Bosco Lear, '13-'19; Ed Kotter, '19-'25; Joe Schill, '23-'29, and Barney Hartlage, '26-'32. But now the candy store is playing second fiddle. The J. Cafe, in the northwest corner of the faculty building basement, is the bright spot. Candy bars and soft drinks can't buck such competition as malted milks, coffee, pies, rolls and, above all, booths. The Rev. Henry Balster, '29-'33, curate at St. Joseph's, Wapakoneta, O., is in for a surprise when he sees the J. Cafe. While a student here, he was in charge of plants and tulip bulbs which wintered in the large room now occupied by the cafe. What will replace the J. Cafe in St. Joe's next step forward? For details, read *CONTACT* twenty-five years from now.

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THE FIGHT BETWEEN THE CARNIVAL STRONG MAN and Gomar (Cop) DeCocker,



'30-'34, will long be remembered by those who saw it. A wrestler came to Rensselaer with a carnival. His job was to challenge anyone in the crowd. Gomar saw a chance to make money; so he climbed into the ring. The Fort Jennings giant made things so hot for the wrestler that the fight was stopped. Gomar was given \$1.50. Gomar DeCocker Cop now lives at 409 N. Liberty, Marshall, Michigan.

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BLOW THE DUST OFF the October 4, 1916 issue of *College Cheer*. On the front page you will find: "The students and faculty of St. Joseph's College were entertained with a picture show and a Victrola concert on Sunday, October 1, at 7:30 p. m."

THE ROUNDUP

by



Coach Joe Dienhart

IT'S A SURE SIGN of spring when the sound of a ball plop-ping into a catcher's mitt and the crack of a bat is heard across the campus. And along about that time students start memorizing the baseball schedule. Here's what's on the menu ready to be served up:

April 4—Wabash, there.
April 20—Butler, here.
April 26—Indiana State, here.
April 30—Central Normal, here.
May 4—Earlham, there.
May 11—Butler, there.
May 14—Central Normal, there.
May 15—University of Louisville, there.
May 17—Xavier, here.
May 24—Indiana State, there.
May 25—Xavier, there.
June 3—Illinois Wesleyan, here.

HOPES ARE HIGH in the high school department as the Puma Cubs go through their last workouts in preparation for the National Catholic High School Basketball Tournament, to be held March 27-31, at Loyola University, Chicago.

SPEAKING OF NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS, St. Joe's college team was invited to play in the National Intercollegiate Tournament at Kansas City. As Caesar would say, we went, we saw, we were conquered. 'Nuff said.

THREE HUNDRED POINTS for the season is the record now held by Neal Mosser, St. Joe center. That's 35 points higher than any college or university player has ever scored during a season in the history of Indiana basketball.

BISHOP NAMES GRAD VICAR GENERAL

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the Vicar General.

"It is not necessary, according to the law of the Church, for the Bishop to have a Vicar General, but it is customary for the Bishop to divide his work, granting to the Vicar General faculties equal to those held by himself unless he should make special reservations."

After being graduated from St. Joe, Father Mungovan went to

SEE PLENTY ACTION FIRST YEAR



Rev. Aloys Selhorst



Rev. Henry Hess



(Courtesy Dayton News)
Rev. Leonard Sudhoff

Although the first anniversary of their ordination is still a month away, these members of the Society of the Precious Blood, all of the class of '33, have had a variety of experience. The Rev. Aloys Selhorst is assistant at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, a parish for colored people in Cleveland. Father Selhorst was assistant at Kneipp Sanitarium, Rome City, Ind., for a short time. The Rev. Henry Hess is now curate at St. Peter in Chains, Hamilton, O., after having filled a number of temporary appointments. The Rev. Leonard Sudhoff is an assistant at St. Mary's, Nebraska City, Neb., after having filled a temporary appointment in the west.

Mount St. Mary Seminary, Norwood, O. He was ordained May 24, 1902. After serving as assistant at St. Patrick's, Fort Wayne, for five years, he was made pastor at Arcola and its mission Pierceton, where he remained until 1914. However, he built a new church at Arcola before he was transferred to St. Paul's, Valparaiso, where he spent 15 years. Following the death of the Rev. Edward Barrett, in 1929, Father Mungovan was appointed pastor of All Saints, Hammond. Shortly after his appointment he built a new church to replace the original place of worship which was connected with the school.

The name Mungovan frequently appeared in old issues of the Collegian as a half back in the football lineup, as an officer of the C. L. S., as a member of the Collegian staff, as a student on the Honor Roll, and as an officer in the military organization.

Alumnus Gives Award

The History-of-the-Church-in-America Essay Contest is being sponsored at St. Joseph's by the Rev. Leo J. Dufrane, '08-'11, pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Fowler, Ind. The former Navy Chaplain will give twenty-five dollars annually for the best essay on some phase of the Church's work in this country.

BYRON HAYES RECALLS 16 INNING BALL GAME

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sun went down on a baseball game. Mr. Hayes' life has bounded along at a rapid tempo ever since.

He enrolled at Notre Dame in 1910 and was graduated with a degree in law in 1913. Ever since the June of his graduation he has practiced law in Fort Wayne. He has long been an active member of the Knights of Columbus having held the offices of Chancellor, Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight, and District Deputy.

Other jumbled fact that might be related about the St. Joe alumnus is that he was elected Allen county prosecutor four years ago; he has one son; his office address is suite 906, Citizens Trust Building, Fort Wayne, and the fellow Alumni he sees most often are Father George Hasser, Father John Bennett, Henry Hipskind, Henry Berghoff, and Dr. Joseph Lill.

Carlins Work For Ford

The Carlin brothers, Walter, '19-'20, and John, '16-'19, are employees at the Ford Motor Company, Detroit. John, a purchasing agent in the steel division, is married and has one child. Walter is still single.

HERE and THERE

JUDGES for the Alumni Essay Contest have been announced by

Rev. Paul Speckbaugh, C.P.P.S., Ph. D., head of the English Department. They are: Joseph Fontana, '28-'34, Louisville Water Company employee and sports caster over WLAP; Carl



Joseph Fontana

Vandagriff, '28-'34, announcer at WOWO, Fort Wayne, and the Rev. Simeon Schmitt, '17-'21, of Delphi, Ind. It was decided by vote at the last meeting of the Association to give cash awards of \$25 and \$10, instead of gold medals.

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NEW ADDRESS of the Rev. Florian Hartke, C.P.P.S., '25-'29, is 1530 South Rockford Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Thanks to the Rev. Theodore Koenn, C.P.P.S., '04-'10, pastor at Minster, O., who flashed us the news.

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THE KNOT WAS TIED by the Rev. Rouleau Joubert, O. P., '26-'31, when Tommy Corcoran, one of Roosevelt's right hand men, was married recently.

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TEACH FOUR CLASSES DAILY at Father Ryan High School; serve as temporary pastor at two colored churches in Nashville, and you won't have to worry about your spare time. Ask the Rev. Samuel Homsey, C.P.P.S., '25-'30.

THIRTY-FIVE ALUMNI AWAIT ORDINATIONS

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John Sheehan, Herbert Eilerman, Arnold Meiring, Anthony Migoni, Valerian Volin, Vincent Nels, Victor Kreinbrink, Norbert Sulkowski, Robert Wuest, John Hamme, Bernard Schmidt, and Anthony Traser.

Clement Petit, who has been studying at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, Md., for the past six years, will be ordained May 18, at St. James Pro-Cathedral, Rockford, Ill.

Michael Vichuras, who took his philosophy and theology at Catholic University, Washington, D. C., will be ordained May 18, at Fort Wayne.

Magazines Carry Works Of Grads

Magazine articles by three Alumni were recently brought to the attention of the Alumni Office.



"Is One As Good As Another?" by Norbert Minick, '29-'35, was run in the Sunday, March 17 issue of **Our Sunday Visitor**. When last heard from, Minick was a columnist on a paper published for employees in Radio City, New York.

"The Greatest Street in the World," by the Rev. Joseph V. Duenser, '14-'20, missionary for the Society of Precious Blood, appeared in the March issue of **Columbia**, magazine published by the Knights of Columbus. The article describes how the Via Dolorosa appears today.

The **Catholic Digest**, of last September, carried an article condensed from the **Sign** called "Bombs for Lunch," by the Rev. William Westhoven, C. P., '11-'13. It is a vivid description of the Jap bombing of Chihkiang City, Hunan, China, where Father Westhoven is working as a missionary. Students on the campus from '11-'13 will remember young Westhoven as Lawrence, not as William.

PASTOR PREFERS PIPE PLEASURE



Courtesy Warsaw Times-Union

REVEREND LEO PURSLEY

PIPE COLLECTING has been a hobby of the Rev. Leo Pursley, '15-'21, for the past ten years. The pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Warsaw, Ind., is shown displaying his 116 "buddies." English briars of medium and extra quality makeup most of the collection. Countries represented besides the United States and England, are Italy, Austria, Holland, Belgium, Turkey, Trinidad, Canada, Cuba, Hawaii and Ireland. Included in the novelty numbers is a pipe formed from rough briar without usual modeling. Also definitely different is a pipe with a stem inserted in a walking stick with the bowl forming the handle. Father Pursley, who has been at Warsaw since 1937, is the donor of the Mary J. Pursley Memorial Award for Creative Writing. In memory of his mother, fifty dollars is given annually to the St. Joe student who submits the best work of fiction.

Grads Of '32 Plan Reunion

While seniors, the 44 members of the class of '32 voted to hold a reunion at St. Joe on Alumni Day in 1940. Arrangements for the meeting have been started by the Rev. Herman Schnurr, class secretary, and the Rev. Thomas Coleman, class president.

"It will not be possible to announce the date of Alumni Day until the next issue of **Contact**," said the Very Rev. Aloys Dirksen, college president. "It will probably be set at the meeting of chapter presidents."

The class list of '32 includes: Norman Koller, Robert Nieset, Alex Leiker, Gilbert Wirtz, James Conroy, Bernard Hartlage, Joseph Otte, Thomas Harris, Howard Hoover, Thomas Siebeneck, John Byrne, Raphael Gross, Leonard Storch, Lawrence Brown, Kenneth Moore, Robert Zahn, Charles Mitchell, Arthur Kuhlman, Fred Cardinali, Vincent Parr, Harry Connelly, Clarence Schuerman, Robert Stukenborg.

Urban Iffert, Lawrence Ernst, Vincent Kreinbrink, Adam Frankovich, Matthew Lange, Vincent Mallifskes, John Lefko, Isidore McCarthy, Clarence Rable, Leo Lemkuhl, Joseph Wittkofski, Timothy Downey, Carmen Nardecchia, Frank Novak, Robert Sorg, Lawrence Gollner, Ignatius Vicchuras, Charles Maloney, Alfred Mayer.

FIND A GROUP AND YOU'LL FIND AN ALUMNUS---HERE ARE FIVE



(Courtesy Our Sunday Visitor)

Five Alumni, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Thomas M. Conroy, '91-'96; Rt. Rev. Msgr. D. Lawrence Monahan, '00-'05; the Rev. Cyril Mohr, C.P.P.S., '94-'01; the Rev. Henry A. Hoerstman, '96-'02, and the Rev. Joseph Hennes, '13-'16 and '19-'22, attended the banquet which opened the 1940 CYO drive for funds in Fort Wayne. Seated, left to right, are the Rev. John A. Dapp, Monsignor Conroy, Thomas J. Kelly, the Most Rev. John F. Noll, bishop of the Fort Wayne diocese; Alfred A. Brown and Monsignor Monahan. Standing, left to right, are Frank C. Graffe, William F. Schenkel, John M. Haberkorn, the Rev. John A. Bapst, the Rev. Julian F. Doktor, the Rev. Thomas A. Brandon, Father Mohr, the Rev. J. F. Nadolny, Father Hoerstman, Father Hennes, D. P. McDonald and Thomas McKiernan.